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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: The Army Voting Assistance Program (AVAP) Instructions

- 1. As the Army Senior Service Voting Representative, I express my sincere appreciation to each of you for performing duty as an Army Command (ACOM), Army Service Component Command (ASCC), and Direct Reporting Unit (DRU) Senior Voting Assistance Officer (SVAO). Command support is absolutely imperative for the success of the AVAP. Our Soldiers deserve our assistance in executing this crucial privilege.
- 2. This memorandum also provides Army instructions for this year's program (enclosed). Please pay particular attention to the reporting requirements.
- 3. The next Federal election is on 4 November 2008. However, State and Local elections are continually occurring and our Soldiers deserve the opportunity to participate. Additionally, it is essential to sustain your voting assistance efforts, publicize elections and distribute information throughout the year.
- 4. The goal is for 100 percent of our Soldiers to be contacted by a Unit Voting Assistance Officer (UVAO) concerning voting, especially regarding information on the absentee voting process. Each Soldier should know his or her appointed (UVAO). As leaders, we must ensure that every Soldier is contacted and offered information about voting.
- 5. The Federal Voting Assistance Program Office kickoff for the Voting Assistance Officer (VAO) Training Workshops commenced at Fort Meade, Maryland, on 14 September 2007. Each VAO must receive training and the workshop is the ideal place. ACOM, ASCC, and DRU Voting POCs and the Army Voting Action Officer have the training schedule. Please ensure that your Installation SVAOs and UVAOs attend this required training.
- 6. I appreciate your continued emphasis on this very important program. The Army POC is Mr. Alton Perry, Army Voting Action Officer, at 703-325-4530 or DSN 221-4530; email address is alton.c.perry@conus.army.mil.

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7. Be Smart. Do Your Part. Vote!

Encl as REUBEN D. JONES Brigadier General, USA The Adjutant General

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